

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: )  
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Serial No: NEW ) Examiner: TO BE ASSIGNED  
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For: METHOD OF PROVIDING POLYPEPTIDE PREPARATIONS  
WITH REDUCED ENZYMATIC SIDE ACTIVITIES

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend  
the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

4. A method according to [any of] claim[s] 1[-3] wherein at least 50% of the activity of the at least one undesired enzymatic activity is inactivated.

6. A method according to [any of] claim[s] 1-5] wherein the medium having a pH of 2.0 or higher is a medium derived from the cultivation of an organism that during its cultivation produces the at least one desired polypeptide and the at least one undesired enzymatic side activity.

7. A method according to [any of] claim[s] 1[-6] wherein the at least one desired polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of an enzyme, an antibody, an antigen and a pharmaceutically active polypeptide.